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TO THIN-WALLED PORTION)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (A)

BOX: PATENT APPLICATION
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application identified above as follows: